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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kenji NISHI

Group Art Unit: 2851 .

Application No.: 09/628,310

Examiner: A. Mathews

Filed: July 28, 2000

Docket No.: 106827

For: EXPOSURE METHOD AND APPARATUS

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**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicant(s) hereby request(s) continued examination.

☒ Applicant(s) further request(s) entry and consideration of the attached submission.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 153031 in the amount of ☒ \$770.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this page are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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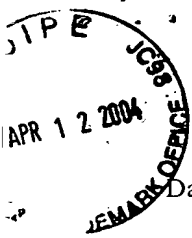
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**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired January 10, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 3 months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 153033 in the amount of \$950 in payment for:

\_\_\_\_\_ Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$110.00)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$420.00)  
XXX Extension fee for response within third month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$950.00)

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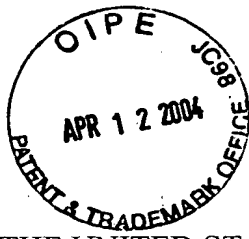
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**AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE**

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Sir:

In reply to the October 10, 2003 Final Rejection, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and after entry of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**